

HABEAS CORPUS.—In Perry county, Ohio, a horse was once restored to its rightful owner under a writ of *habeas corpus* issued by a justice of the peace. A's horse broke into B's pasture, whereupon B. put it into his stable, locked the door and refused to give it up. A. secured the services of the celebrated Shep. Tinker as his legal adviser. Shep. knew that his client could not give the necessary bail in an action by replevin, so he decided to bring a different sort of an action. With this intent he went before a justice of the peace in old Straitsville, and took out a writ of *habeas corpus* and literally brought the horse into court. Lawyer Saunders, a most brilliant practitioner at the Logan bar, and long the prosecuting attorney of Hocking county, was called on the other side. He didn't know the nature of the case until the constable made his return upon the writ. "Why," exclaimed Mr. Saunders, with a look of blank astonishment, "this court can't issue such a writ, and no court could issue one for a horse!" Shep. was more than equal to the emergency. "Your honor," he said, "a wise and just court can do anything that is laid down in the books. The writ of *habeas corpus* has been recognized as sacred for centuries. To say that this court can't issue it is to say that it is ignorant of Magna Charta." "But this court kin issue it," interposed the justice, "and it has issued it already." Mr. Saunders saw his mistake and apologized to the court for having doubted its ability to do anything it chose. It is needless to say that the horse was restored to its owner. —*Cincinnati Enquirer*.

An American judge says: "Long ago recognizing that jurors should receive more courtesy than they sometimes do, it is my habit, in discharging them, always to thank them with pleasant words. So at the term just adjourned at Jackson, in discharging the grand jury, which had been unusually long in session and returned many indictments, I thanked them for their attendance, referred to the efficiency of their work, hoped they would carry to their homes pleasant memories of the court, and that their business had not suffered as much as they feared when they wished to be excused and were not, that we should have the pleasure of seeing them again, etc. To this the foreman usually bows, expresses his pleasure and that of his fellows for the courtesies received from

the court and its officers, etc. This time the foreman, who was a very zealous Baptist, fresh from a revival, which he was more anxious to attend than serve on the grand jury, astonished and embarrassed the court by replying about in this phrase: 'The grand jury, one and all, most cordially reciprocates your honor's sentiments,' etc., making quite a speech upon the kindness received from all the officials. 'And now, as an evidence of our good-will, we propose to extend to your honor the right hand of fellowship.' He was about to go through this performance, when the Court, mindful of its dignity and full of apprehensive mirth, politely declined the proffered hand-shaking. Imagine the condition of the Bar." —*Albany Law Journal*.

Appointments to Office.

DIVISION COURTS CLERKS.

Oxford.

John C. Ross, of Tilsburg, to be Clerk of the Sixth Division Court of the County of Oxford, *vice* John Hodgson, deceased.

Carlton.

John Kerr, of Kars, to be Clerk of the Fifth Division Court of the County of Carlton, *vice* C. G. Lindsay, resigned.

Bruce.

John Humberstone, of Ripley, to be Clerk of the Ninth Division Court of the County of Bruce, *vice* Paul D. McInnes, deceased.

BAILIFFS.

Leeds and Grenville.

John O'Leary, of Prescott, to be Bailiff of the Second Division Court of the United Counties of Leeds and Grenville, *vice* Jas. Jenkinson, resigned.

Manitoulin.

Daniel Anderson, of Gore Bay, to be Bailiff of the Fifth Division Court of the District of Manitoulin, *vice* J. C. Nelles, resigned.

Bruce.

Chas. A. Richards, of Tara, to be Bailiff of the Seventh Division Court of the County of Bruce, *vice* John D. White, resigned.

Lennox and Addington.

Thomas Neal, of Cloyne, to be a Bailiff of the Seventh Division Court of the County of Lennox and Addington.